(024) CLAIMS

1. An absorbent mat assembly comprising:

a mat including a raised perimeter forming a recess having a substantially upright side wall and a land formed contiguous to the substantially upright side wall;

an absorbent pad having a perimeter substantially equal to a perimeter of the recess, the absorbent pad disposed within the recess;

a fluid permeable mesh secured to the mat, the fluid permeable mesh including an ear extending from a periphery of the fluid permeable mesh, the ear configured to seat upon the land of the mat; and

a connector for removably securing the fluid permeable mesh to the mat.

2. The absorbent mat assembly of claim 1 wherein the mat further comprises a material formulated of recycled polymer.

3. The absorbent mat assembly of claim 1 wherein the mat further comprises a petroleum impermeable material.

4. The absorbent mat assembly of claim 1 wherein the absorbent pad further comprises a polypropylene pad.

5. The absorbent mat assembly of claim 1 wherein the absorbent pad further comprises a reusable pad.

6. The absorbent mat assembly of claim 1 wherein the absorbent pad further comprises a washable pad.

7. The absorbent mat assembly of claim 1 wherein the absorbent pad further comprises a recyclable pad.

8. The absorbent mat assembly of claim 4 wherein the polypropylene pad further comprises a woven polypropylene backer and a spun polypropylene liner attached to the woven polypropylene backer.

9. The absorbent mat assembly of claim 1 further comprising a backflow prevention member disposed between the mat and the absorbent mat, the backflow prevention member including a sheet of polymeric material.

10. The absorbent mat assembly of claim 1 wherein the petroleum resistant mesh further comprises an extruded polymeric mesh.

11. The absorbent mat assembly of claim 1 wherein the mesh retaining element further comprises a plastic retaining stud insertable within an aperture formed within the mat.

12. An absorbent mat assembly comprising:

a mat including a raised perimeter forming a recess having a substantially upright side wall and a land formed contiguous to the substantially upright side wall;

a reusable absorbent pad placed within the recess, the reusable absorbent pad having a perimeter substantially equal to a perimeter of the recess;

a backflow prevention member disposed within the recess against an upper surface of the absorbent pad;

a fluid permeable mesh secured to the mat, the fluid permeable mesh including a center portion including a face disposed about a periphery of the center portion of mesh, the fluid permeable mesh including an ear extending from the center portion of the fluid permeable mesh in a plane substantially perpendicular to a surface of the face disposed about the periphery of the center portion of mesh, the ear configured to seat upon the land of the mat; and

a mesh retaining element for removably securing the petroleum resistant mesh to the mat.

13. The absorbent mat assembly of claim 12 wherein the mat further comprises a petroleum impermeable material.

14. The absorbent mat assembly of claim 12 wherein the absorbent pad further comprises a polypropylene pad.

15. The absorbent mat assembly of claim 14 wherein the polypropylene pad further comprises a woven polypropylene backer and a spun polypropylene liner attached to the woven polypropylene backer.

16. The absorbent mat assembly of claim 12 wherein the backflow prevention member further comprises a sheet of polymeric material.

17. The absorbent mat assembly of claim 12 wherein the petroleum resistant mesh further comprises an extruded polymeric mesh.